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I am most grateful for the co-sponsorship of Senators VOINOVICH, REID, COLEMAN, COLLINS and SMITH.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 77—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS SUPPORTING VIGOROUS ENFORCEMENT OF THE FEDERAL OBSCENITY LAWS

Mr. SESSIONS submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. CON. RES. 77

Whereas the Supreme Court in *Miller v. California*, 413 U.S. 15 (1973) held that obscene material is "unprotected by the first amendment" (413 U.S. at 23) and that obscenity laws can be enforced against "'hard core' pornography" (413 U.S. at 28);

Whereas the Miller Court stated that "to equate the free and robust exchange of ideas and political debate with commercial exploitation of obscene material demeans the grand conception of the first amendment and its high purposes in the historic struggle for freedom." (413 U.S. at 34);

Whereas the Supreme Court in *Paris Adult Theatre I v. Slaton*, 413 U.S. 49 (1973) recognized that there are legitimate governmental interests at stake in stemming the tide of obscene materials, which include—

(1) protecting "the quality of life and total community environment" (413 U.S. at 58);

(2) protecting "public safety" (413 U.S. at 58);

(3) maintaining "a decent society" (413 U.S. at 59-60);

(4) protecting "the social interest in order and morality" (413 U.S. at 61); and

(5) protecting "family life" (413 U.S. at 63);

Whereas Congress, in an effort to protect these same legitimate governmental interests, enacted legislation in 1988 to strengthen federal obscenity laws and in 1996 to clarify that use of an interactive computer service to transport obscene materials in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce is prohibited;

Whereas the 1986 Final Report of the Attorney General's Commission on Pornography found that "increasingly, the most prevalent forms of pornography" fit the description of "sexually violent material" (p. 323) and that "an enormous amount of the most sexually explicit material available" can be categorized as "degrading" to people, "most often women" (p. 331);

Whereas the Internet has become a conduit for hardcore pornography that now reaches directly into tens of millions of American homes, where even small children can be exposed to Internet obscenity and older children can easily find it;

Whereas a national opinion poll conducted in March 2002 by Wirthlin Worldwide marketing research company found that 81 percent of adult Americans say that "Federal laws against Internet obscenity should be vigorously enforced";

Whereas a May 2 report from the National Academies' National Research Council stated that "aggressive enforcement of existing antiobscenity laws can help reduce children's access to certain kinds of sexually explicit material on the Internet";

Whereas vigorous enforcement of obscenity laws can help reduce the amount of "virtual child pornography" now readily available to sexual predators; and

Whereas it continues to be the desire of the People of the United States of America and their representatives in Congress to recognize and protect the governmental interests recognized as legitimate by the United States Supreme Court in *Paris Adult Theatre I v. Slaton*, 413 U.S. 49 (1973): Now, therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that the Federal obscenity laws should be vigorously enforced throughout the United States.*

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1976. Mr. FEINGOLD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2800, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1977. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1978. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1979. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1980. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1981. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. LEAHY)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1982. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1983. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1984. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1985. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1986. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1987. Mr. LEAHY proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1988. Mr. LEAHY (for Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1989. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. CRAIG (for himself and Mr. LEAHY)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1990. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. DOMENICI) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1991. Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1992. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2800, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1993. Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1994. Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1995. Mr. ALLARD (for himself, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. CAMPBELL) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1996. Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. BIDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2800, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1997. Mr. ENSIGN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2800, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1998. Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1999. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the bill H.R. 2800, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2000. Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2800, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2001. Mr. REID (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2002. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. VOINOVICH) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2003. Mr. REID (for Mr. DODD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2004. Mr. REID (for Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. LEAHY)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2005. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. LUGAR) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2006. Mr. REID (for Mr. DASCHLE) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2007. Mr. REID (for Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2008. Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2009. Mr. REID (for Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2010. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. LUGAR) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2011. Mr. REID (for Mr. INOUE) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2012. Mr. REID (for Mr. HARKIN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2013. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. DURBIN)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2014. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. BROWNBACK) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2015. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. BROWNBACK) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2016. Mr. REID (for Mr. DODD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2017. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. LUGAR) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2018. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. ENSIGN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2019. Mr. REID (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2020. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2021. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2022. Mr. REID (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2023. Mr. REID (for Mr. KENNEDY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 2024. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. LEAHY)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2800, supra.

SA 1976. Mr. FEINGOLD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2800, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows: